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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

U. S. transport Kilpatrick, with troops from Porto Rico, arrived at Newport News. —— Gen. Roberts will not be ready to move on Pretoria until his troops are properly equipped to meet the South African winter. —— It is said 150,000 foreign troops have been landed to aid the Boers. —— The House passed the Army appropriation bill; the Porto Rican bill was debated in the Senate. —— The French steamer Georges Croise, bound to Cuba, sunk off Santo Domingo; four lives were lost. —— Steamer Claudius, from Philadelphia for Havana, is ashore on the Florida coast. —— Dr. Hunter McGuire was worse last night. —— President Kruger boasts of his intention to retake Bloemfontein; the Boers are advancing. —— A project is on foot to make an open gateway of the Richmond, Fredericksburg & Potomac R. R. —— New York markets: Money on call steady; actual transactions were at 3@4 per cent., last loan at 4; cotton quiet; middling uplands 9¾c.; flour not active; the decline in wheat caused buyers to withdraw before much business had been done and the close was steady at old prices; wheat —spot steady; No. 2 red 80¾c.; corn—spot steady; No. 2, 45¼c.; rosin quiet; spirits turpentine firm.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., March 29.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 51 degrees; 8 P. M., 63 degrees; maximum, 66 degrees; minimum, 48 degrees; mean, 57 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, —; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 3.04 inches.

Stage of water at 8 A. M. at Fayetteville 11.6 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO DAY.

WASHINGTON March 29.—For North Carolina: Rain Friday; colder in western and central portions; fair Saturday; southerly winds, shifting to northwesterly.

Port Almanac---March 30.

Sun Rises	5.50 A. M.
Sun Sets	6.20 P. M.
Day's Length	12 H 29 M
High Water at Southport	7.39 P. M.
High Water Wilmington	10.09 P. M.

Mayor VanWyck says that New York is the cleanest and most moral city in this country. But then Mr. VanWyck is a New Yorker and due allowance must be made for this.

It is said that Great Britain gets 36 per cent. of her total revenue from the tax on alcoholic beverages, from which it may be inferred that the Britons have a powerful capacity for absorbing such liquids.

It is said that the ferocious blood-sucking conorhinus sanguisugus, which is on its way from Mexico and New Mexico, is nothing more nor less than the ordinary plebian bed-bug common down in those parts.

Hon. Chauncey M. Depew, the gentleman with the double back action jaw, has been selected to do the formality in presenting Mr. McKinley's name to the Philadelphia Republican National Convention. Mark Hanna will do the rest.

New York expects to have the rapid transit tunnel, on which work was begun a few days ago, completed within three years. Trains will run from Harlem to the lower end of the island in fifteen minutes. The job will cost $15,000,000.

Senator Beveridge announced several days ago that he would soon make his Porto Rican free trade speech. But the managers wouldn't let him speak his piece, and now it is said they will yank him in and make him vote for the tariff bill.

Kaiser William who finds it difficult to scrimmage along on his little salary of $8,500,000 a year, wants a raise of $1,000,000. He has had an increase every year since 1889. His father managed to get along pretty comfortably on $2,000,000 a year.

There are in the province of Ontario, Canada, about 100,000 acres of peat available, ranging in depth from two to six or eight feet. It is proposed to dig this out, and compress it into blocks of convenient size. When thus compressed it is said to make a fine fuel, as heating and cheaper than coal and free from dust and smoke.

Since the beginning of the year more than two hundred applications have been filed for new national banks, most of which are in the Western States. Nearly all are for $25,000 capital, a small number for $50,000, and a still smaller for larger amounts. North Carolina has made application for four of $25,000 each. Iowa leads with thirty-eight, all of $25,000 capital, except three of $50,000.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Rev. A. D. McClure will be the special speaker at the men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. Sunday afternoon.

— The steamer *Driver* was in port yesterday on her regular schedule and cleared in the evening for Fayetteville.

— The Clyde steamship *Saginaw* arrived in port late yesterday afternoon from her regular trip to Georgetown, S. C.

— A magic lantern entertainment for some branch of the church work is announced to be given in Immanuel Presbyterian church to-night.

— Wilmington Lodge, No. 139, I. O. O. F., at the regular meeting last night elected twenty-one candidates for membership in the order.

— The Adoption degree will be conferred upon one pale face at the meeting of Eyota Tribe, No. 5, Improved Order of Red Men to-night.

— The new lodge of The Knights of The Mystic Chain will be instituted in Germania Hall this evening at 8 o'clock. There are about one hundred and sixty charter members.

— "Gen." W. H. Willis, the distinguished house mover is in the city. He has just finished moving a house on Princess and Ninth streets for Mr. Frank Andrews, of Onslow county.

— Mr. J. A. Sutton has been assigned by E. C. Duncan, Collector of Internal Revenue for the fourth district, as store keeper and guager at distillery No. 3,638, operated by T. L. Rosser near Elizabethtown, N. C.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

W. M. Cumming—For sale.
Jas. D. Nutt—Inaugurations.
Warren—Steam bakery and cafe.
King Grocery Co.—Canned goods.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

For Sale—Pine lumber.
J. G. Wright & Son—For rent.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Miss Nora Fredericks has gone North to spend the Summer.

— Mr. C. J. Brown, of Kenansville, is registered at The Orton.

— A. W. McLean, Esq., of Lumberton, arrived in the city yesterday.

—Mr. G. G. Lynch, of the A. C. L., at Florence, S. C., is registered at The Orton.

— Mr. C Ed Taylor, of the Southport *Standard*, came up last evening on business connected with his paper.

— Messrs. Mark Morgan, J. D. McDonald and W. H. Morrison, of Laurel Hill, were here yesterday as witnesses in the Standing Master's Court before Hon. James E. Shepherd.

—The friends of Police Sergeant J. D. Orrell will regret to learn that he is confined to his room with sickness. Lieutenant Skipper was also indisposed yesterday and unable to be on duty.

"Coffee Party" Last Evening.

Mrs. C. W. Polvogt entertained a number of friends and members of the congregation of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church at a "coffee party" last evening at her home, No. 513 Princess street. The entertainment was for the benefit of the fence fund of the church and besides a very pleasant evening enjoyed by all those present, a handsome sum was received for the object named. The party at Mrs. Polvogt's home was the third of a series of those being given by the ladies of the congregation for the purpose of having a pretty fence of granite to enclose their church, parsonage, and the Luther Memorial building, on corner of Seventh and Princess streets.

Rogers-Grilley Recital.

The Lecture Committee of the Young Men's Christian Association requests the STAR to announce that the date of the Rogers Grilley recital, which is blank in the Course tickets, is Wednesday, April 4th.

The box sheet for this excellent entertainment opens Tuesday morning April 3rd at 8 o'clock in the Secretary's office at the building where single admission tickets may also be secured.

This excellent combination, Rogers-Grilley Harpist-Impersonator, have been welcome visitors before, and the STAR predicts that even a more cordial reception will be accorded them this time.

Former Resident of Wilmington.

The Fayetteville *Observer* of Wednesday afternoon contains an announcement of the death in Mexia, Texas, on March 21st, of Mr. George Alderman, who was formerly a resident of Wilmington, but removed to Texas about the year 1868. Mr. Alderman at the time of his death was in the 78th year of his age and leaves a wife, two daughters and one son to mourn their loss. He was a brother of Col. Wm. Alderman, of Fayetteville, and has quite a number of relatives in this city.

Won the Prize.

Mrs. E. O. Willey entertained a number of her friends in The Orton parlors last evening at a contest for a handsomely wrought pillow, which was designed for the benefit of a charitable fund. Mr. T. L. Rowell was the successful contestant for the coveted prize and something over $40 was realized for the fund in which Mrs. Willey was interested. A very pleasant evening was spent by those who were the guests of the occasion.

M'NEILL ENDORSED,

Wilmington's Business Men Want Him Re-elected Chairman of Corporation Commission.

S. L. ROGERS ALSO ENDORSED.

Special Meeting of Chamber of Commerce Yesterday Afternoon--Resolution by Mr. Taylor Commending Their Administration.

At a special meeting of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce held yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in its rooms in the Seaboard Air Line building, it was unanimously decided to most heartily endorse the Hon. Franklin McNeill, of this city, and Samuel L. Rogers, of Macon county, for re-election as Corporation Commissioners of the State.

The meeting was called especially for the purpose of considering this matter and there was a good attendance, those present being the leading business men of the city among whom were Mr. M. W. Jacobi, presiding, Mr. D. L. Gore, Mr. G. J. Boney, Capt. W. R. Kenan, Col. W. L. DeRosset, Mr. G. Herbert Smith, Mr. T. F. Bagley, Mr. W. H. Sprunt, Mr. J. Allen Taylor, Mr. William Whitehead, Col. Roger Moore, Mr. C. W. Worth, Mr. B. F. King, Col. John L. Cantwell, Mr. W. E. Worth and Mr. John E. Crow.

Mr. J. Allen Taylor, in stating the object of the meeting, said in substance that an effort was being made to overthrow Chairman McNeill, whose services during the past year were very complimentary to himself and to the State. His administration had been signalized by much success and it was highly proper that the business men of Wilmington should urge his nomination before the State Convention on April 11th.

Col. DeRosset said that he was of the opinion that it was not in the strict province of the Chamber to deal with questions political, but the former effort along this line had culminated in the election of Mr. McNeill and as the precedent had been established, he would not protest, as the question might also be viewed from a business and not a political standpoint.

Mr. G. Herbert Smith and Mr. D. L. Gore voiced the same sentiment and referred in especially complimentary terms to Mr. McNeill as chairman of the Commission. Mr. G. J. Boney remarked upon the concerted action of the Wilmington Chamber on the occasion of the former nomination of Mr. McNeill and expressed the hope that the business men of Wilmington would manifest the same enthusiasm and interest in urging the nomination this time.

Mr. Taylor then offered the following resolution which, upon motion of Mr. Gore and second by Mr. Worth, was unanimously adopted:

Be it Resolved, by the Chamber of Commerce, that Franklin McNeill and Samuel L. Rogers have discharged the duties of Corporation Commissioners with a high intelligence and marked fidelity to the trust reposed in them, and that it is the sense of this Chamber that the best interests of the State at large demand their re election, and their candidature is hereby endorsed.

Resolved, That we urge the business interest of the State to co-operate in a determined effort to re elect these Commissioners.

Many of the counties in the State have already made endorsements of candidates before the convention for the position and have instructed their delegates accordingly. The contest before the convention promises to be interesting. Prominent among those who have been mentioned for the chairmanship, are Capt. J. D. McNeill, of Fayetteville, and others. The terms of Mr. McNeill and Mr. Rogers expire in January, 1901, but the elections will be made in August with other State officers. The third member of the Commission is J. A. Abbott, of Raleigh, who was named by the Republicans instead of Hon. E. C. Beddingfield, who was deposed.

Col. Jno. L. Cantwell, the secretary, was instructed to give the widest publicity possible to the action of the Chamber.

Another Resolution Offered.

The following resolution was offered by Col. W. L. DeRosset and referred to a special committee composed of Messrs. M. S. Willard, J. Allen Taylor and E. S. Martin, Esq.:

Resolved, That the matter of the laws in existence permitting the investigation by the courts of the private business of corporations as now evidenced by the proposed action of sundry railroad companies in their case against the Corporation Commission be referred to the proper committee of this body to recommend action to be taken by the next meeting of this Chamber.

After the disposition of this resolution an adjournment was taken until the regular meeting for April next Thursday.

New York Society People.

Attached to the regular A. C. L. train from the North last night was Mr. H. Walters' private car, in which a party of Mr. Pembroke Jones' friends arrived to spend some time at his Summer home, "Airlie," on Wrightsville Sound. The car was attached to a train on the Seacoast railroad and was taken directly to Mr. Jones' cottage. The party consisted of Miss Potter, of Chicago; Miss Whiting and Miss Oelrich, of New York; Mr. Henry Clews, Mr. H. O. Havemeyer, Mr. J. N. McCormick and Mr. C. H. Barney, also of New York.

Mr. Fred J. Poisson, of London, is also entertaining a number of friends at "Elsmere," his Summer home on the sound.

DIED SUDDENLY YESTERDAY.

Mr. B. Frank Boykin, a Well Known Citizen of Wilmington, Was Found Dead in His Bed.

Numerous friends of Mr. B. Frank Boykin, in Wilmington and in the Eastern section of the State, will learn with sorrow of his death, which occurred suddenly some time during the early part of yesterday morning at his home, No. 514 Princess street, in this city.

Mr. Boykin, on the days preceding his death, had been confined to his room with la grippe, and Wednesday night he complained of a severe headache, but his condition was thought to have been far from serious. Yesterday morning he did not arise so early as usual, but the family knowing of his indisposition did not care to disturb him, and he was allowed to remain unmolested until between 9 and 10 o'clock, when a gentleman called at his house to see him on a business matter. One of the children was sent up to the room to notify the father of the visit, but the child soon returned and said that Mr. Boykin could not be aroused. A servant was next sent up and she returned with the same message. Mrs. Boykin then hastened to her husband's bedside and was horrified to find that he was dead. Dr. F. H. Russell was quickly summoned, and after examining the body he expressed the opinion that death had resulted from apoplexy probably three hours before.

Deceased was about 51 years of age, and is prominently connected in Eastern North Carolina. He was born near Clinton, in Sampson county, and resided for a number of years in that town, where he conducted the Clinton Hotel. Later he was engaged in the livery business there, but about eight yeras ago he removed to Wilmington, and was engaged here for some time in the grocery business on Grace street. During Gov. Carr's administration, he was a director of the Eastern Hospital for the Insane, and always manifested a keen interest in the politics of his county. He served in the Confederate army and was a good soldier. About ten years ago, he married Miss Julia Augusta Bowden, of this city, and she with five small children —two boys and three little girls—survive him and have the sincere sympathy of many friends.

Mr. Boykin was a second cousin of the lamented Judge Boykin, who died suddenly about ten years ago and he was also a nephew of Dr. T. J. Boykin, of the firm of Boykin, Carmer & Co., of Baltimore. Three sisters live in Washington, D. C., and two brothers, Messrs. J. R. and D. S. Boykin, are engaged in the wholesale grocery business at Wilson, N. C. Mr. J. R. Boykin arrived last evening to attend the funeral, which will be conducted at 11 o'clock this morning from the late residence by Rev. Jno. Cole, pastor of Grace M. E. Church. The interment will be in Oakdale Cemetery.

THE FIREMEN'S TOURNAMENT

Meeting of Finance Committee Yesterday. Canvass for Subscriptions Will Be Begun Monday Morning.

There was a meeting of the Finance Committee to arrange for the State Fireman's Tournament here in July, at the Mayor's office at the City Hall yesterday afternoon at 4.30 o'clock and plans were set on foot for an active canvass for subscriptions from business men, beginning Monday morning.

There was a majority of the members of the committee present and the meeting was enthusiastic. Chief Schnibben presided and Dr. T. B. Carroll, who has been selected for the committee in place of Mr. Dan Quinlivan, who finds it impossible to serve, kept a record of the proceedings.

A copy of the circular letter being mailed by President McNeill to the fire departments in the State and outside of the State, was read and most heartily endorsed. The letters are written in Capt. McNeill's characteristic jolly style and will be a drawing card for the tournament in the beginning.

On motion, the committee resolved itself into sub-committees for the purpose of beginning the canvass, and decided to begin the soliciting of subscriptions of business men early Monday morning, as stated.

For the wholesale business houses, railroads and factories, Messrs. J. A. Taylor, Hugh MacRae, A. B. Skelding, J. H. Chadbourn, Jr., and J. R. Kenly have been appointed to solicit subscriptions, and Messrs. W. E. Springer, George R. French, J. W. Harper, E. G. Parmele and Dr. T B. Carroll, have been appointed to call on the down-town retail merchants. The saloons, restaurants and up-town merchants will be called on by Chief Schnibben, Messrs. Martin O'Brien, T. J. Gore and J. C. Boesch.

Chief Schnibben and Capt. Parmele were instructed to make an examination of the city directory and assign the duties of the several sub-committees along the lines mapped out in the above.

The Transportation Committee is quietly at work and has every assurance that there will be no impediment in the way of reasonable passenger rates. The prospects are bright for a "gala" occasion and the canvass will open under very flattering auspices.

To City Subscribers.

City subscribers are earnestly requested to report promptly at the STAR office every failure of the carriers to deliver their papers. In all such cases steps will be taken to insure prompt and regular delivery.

PASTOR EMERITUS.

Title Conferred by St. Matthews' Lutheran Church Upon Dr. G. D. Bernheim, the Retiring Minister.

The following resolution adopted by the congregation of St Matthew's Lutheran Church, of this city, regarding the retirement of Dr. G. D. Bernheim, their pastor, is published in the current number of the *Lutheran Visitor* and will be read with interest by the numerous friends of Dr. Bernheim in this city:

"At the annual congregational meeting held by St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, of this city, March 14th last, the following resolutions were adopted by the entire congregation:

WHEREAS, our faithful and beloved pastor, Rev. G. D. Bernheim D. D. tendered his resignation to take effect the first of next May, and which has been accepted with sincere regret by this congregation; and, whereas, Mr. Kegley expects to serve us as a pastor during his vacation, and in view of this arrangement be it herewith

Resolved 1st, That Rev. G. D. Bernheim be considered as our pastor in charge whenever Mr. Kegley is not serving us,

Resolved 2nd, That we, the members of St. Matthew's Evangelical Lutheran church, acknowledge the valuable services rendered by our beloved pastor, Rev. G. D. Bernheim, and from and after the 1st of May next he shall be honored with the title of Pastor Emeritus of this congregation during his natural life.

G. W. LINDER, Sec'y.

The *Visitor* also states editorially that Dr. Bernheim will make his home in New Jersey, which, however, his friends and the congregation will be glad to learn is a mistake as Dr. Bernheim has signified his intention of remaining in Wilmington for the next eighteen months and probably for his life.

A GAME OF BASE BALL.

Miss Alderman's School Wins from a Team of the High School.

The rival base ball teams of the Wilmington High School and that of Miss Alderman's Select School met again yesterday afternoon on the diamond at Sixth and Red Cross streets, and this time the team of Miss Alderman's school came off victorious in a score of 13 to 8. The following was the line-up of the two teams:

Miss Alderman's.		W. H. S.
King	c	Moore
Chadwick	p	Nash
Irving	1b	McIntire
Litgen	2b	Holt
Woodard	3b	Hall
Woodberry	ss	Hall
Woodberry	lf	Cole
Wilson	cf	Toomer
Orrell	rf	Peck

Scorers—Franks and Banks.
Umpire—E. K. King.
Struck out by Chadwick, 11; by Moore and Nash, 8.

King, Chadwick, Irving and Litgen distinguished themselves for fine playing for the winning team, and Moore, Holt, Hall and McIntire for the High School nine.

INTERESTING TRIAL TO-DAY.

Burt Green, a Notorious Negro, Arraigned for Serious Offence.

But Green, the negro who is charged with cutting H. Ludvick Hansen, a sailor on board the Norwegian steamship *Aquila*, particulars of which were published in these columns at the time, was arraigned yesterday morning in the municipal court, charged with assault and battery with a deadly weapon and with receiving stolen goods, viz: A watch which it is alleged was stolen at the same time from Hansen by "Queen Victoria," a denizen of Dross Neck, where the offences were committed. Hansen has been confined at the Marine Hospital by his wound, which is an ugly gash over the left hip, and though the offence was committed March 3rd, yesterday was the first time that he has been well enough to attend court. Green employed counsel and had the case removed to Justice McGowan's court, where it will be tried this morning. "Queen Victoria" will also be tried for the larceny of the watch.

Hansen does not speak English and will be interpreted by Mr. Alex. S. Heide, Norwegian Consul at this port. Green is represented by Herbert McClammy, Esq.

Repairs to Tug Blanche.

The tug *Blanche*, of the Cape Fear Towing and Transportation Company, yesterday came off the ways at Skinner's ship yard, all repairs to her hull and machinery under water having been completed. It will be, however, about two more weeks before repairs to her other machinery will be finished, making it about April 15th before she will be ready for service in the river and harbor. The accident to the *Blanche*, it will be remembered, occurred about two months ago while she was towing a vessel up the river and the most plausible theory is that she lost a part of her propeller and the machinery "ran away with itself" causing damage which will require a large sum of money to repair. While she was on the ways, two new plates which were damaged in a collision in December with the tug *Waban*, were also put in, in addition to the shaft and propeller, which were dislocated in the last accident.

Secretary Coming To-day

Mr. W. L. Latta, president of the Y. M. C. A., received a letter yesterday from Mr. W. W. Turner, the new general secretary of the association here, saying that he would arrive in the city to day from Richmond, where he was called on account of the illness of his father. Monday night the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. will give Mr. Turner a delightful reception, for which a very complete programme of music, etc., has been arranged.

COUNTY CONVENTION.

New Hanover Democrats Will Assemble in Court House To-morrow.

SENATORIAL CONTROVERSY.

Much Interest Manifested in Question of Whether the Convention Will Instruct Unanimously for Morton or in Part for Meares.

All that is being talked about in local politics now is the county convention of New Hanover, which will be called to order in the court house in this city to-morrow at noon. The Senatorial controversy is expected to receive further airing on this occasion, and after the appointment of delegates to the senatorial convention, which will also meet here at a date to be named by the convention to morrow, the status of the aforesaid controversy will probably assume a more definite aspect and the complexion of the district convention can be more precisely speculated upon.

The session of the convention promises to be long and "stormy" and will probably be continued into the evening. The two factions supporting the views of the candidates for the State Senate have already given indications of obstinacy and neither will yield to the other until compelled to do so.

Delegates will also be chosen at the convention to-morrow for the State Democratic convention, which meets in Raleigh for the nomination of State officers on April 11th.

For the information of those interested in the convention to-morrow, the following list of delegates is reprinted:

FIRST WARD.

First Precinct—Delegates, W. L. Duke, B. C. Moore, James Kelly, Z. E. Murrill, J. H. Strass, S. H. Terry.

Second Precinct—Delegates, Jno. McKinnis, M. H. Kelley, Frank Quinn, Jno. J. Nelms; alternates, Neill McKinnon, M. C. Gainor, R. Holmes, Thos. Herring.

Third Precinct—Delegates, M. Carroll, M. Schnibben, Thos. Quinlivan.

Fourth Precinct—Delegate, F. P. Lamb.

Fifth Precinct—Delegate, George Hewlett; alternate, W. A. Wright.

SECOND WARD.

Delegates—Thos. McMillan, J. H. Davis, Justin M. Bunting, Roger Moore, W. H. Brown, H. P. West, Don MacRae, J. H. Boatwright, W. J. Woodward, P. Donlan, M. J. Heyer, Sigmond Bear, T. E. Sprunt, G. E. Leftwich, F. Richter, R. W. Wallace.

THIRD WARD.

First Precinct—Delegates, E. T. Wade, T. D. Meares, H. VonGlahn, W. E. Perdew, B. J. Jacobs, J. H. Taylor, W. Catlett, V. E. Zoeller, W. H. Alderman, W. B. Cooper.

Second Precinct—Delegates, L. B. Sasser, W. S. LeGwin, F. L. Huggins, I. L. Greenewald, R. A. Parsley, S. G. Hall, R. H. Beery.

FOURTH WARD.

First Precinct—Delegates, James Sprunt, W. F. Robertson, C. W. Worth, Junius Davis, A. M. Hall, L. Hansen, J. H. Watters.

Second Precinct—Delegates, W. G. MacRae, M. J. Corbett, J. J. LeGwin, S. A. Schloss, L. H. Skinner, W. H. Hardie.

FIFTH WARD.

First Precinct—Delegates, B. F. King, R. H. McKoy, J. W. Branch, M. Daniels, F. A. Montgomery, S. Bordeaux.

Second Precinct—Delegates, Wm. Tienken, Sr., E. P. H. Strunck, John E. Hewett, M. Marshburn, T. G. Landen, W. P. Gafford. J. F. Littleton.

Third Precinct—Delegates, D. McEachern, Theo. Swann, R. E. Daniels, G. W. Runge, J. M. McGowan.

Fourth Precinct—Delegates, B. R. King, S. G. Watson.

HARNETT TOWNSHIP.

Delegates, C. H. Alexander, J. M. Jarrott.

CAPE FEAR TOWNSHIP.

Delegates, Samuel Blossom, J. B. Dempsey.

MASONBORO TOWNSHIP.

Delegates, C. W. Bishop, Jno. Holt.

FEDERAL POINT TOWNSHIP.

[No election of committeemen.]

POWERFUL TUG BOAT.

Was the "Gerry" Which Visited Wilmington's Port Yesterday—She is Bound for Mobile, Ala.

The big sea-going tug *Gerry* was a visitor to Wilmington's port yesterday and her magnificent build and distinguished appearance was the subject of much interest to those visiting the river front during the day. She was tied up for a part of the time at the Custom House wharf and was later coaled by Messrs. J. A. Springer & Co., at Point Peter, from whence she steamed off down the river at 5.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon for Mobile, Ala., where she has a towing contract.

The tug is a new boat and is 113 feet long; 24-8 beam and 10 feet hold. She has a tonnage of 275 tons and is one of the most powerful tugs that ever visited this port. She hails from Wilmington, Del., and belongs to the National Dredging Company, of that city. The tug is named for Mr. E. Gerry Barker, a former ship broker of this city who is succeeded by Messrs. J. T. Riley & Co. Mr. Gerry Barker's brother is vice president of the dredging company, which owns the tug. She was in charge yesterday of Capt. B. F. Pierce and aboard of her was Mr. Wm. M. Churchman, secretary of the National Dredging Company.

THE QUESTIONS FOR JUDGE SIMONTON.

Standing Master's Hearing in the Railroad Tax Assessment Cases is Adjourned to April 17th Next.

Nothing of very general interest grew out of the session at the hearing in the railroad tax assessment cases before Standing Master James E. Shepherd in the United States Court room yesterday, and, as predicted in the STAR, after the record was arranged for presentation to Judge Simonton as to the competency of certain questions put to the witnesses with reference to producing their books in court, etc., an adjournment was taken until April 17th, by which time it is expected that a ruling as to the points will be had from Judge Simonton.

The questions will be argued by counsel for both the railroads, Corporation Commission and witnesses, who are enjoined to produce their books, and the argument will probably be made in Charleston.

The questions submitted to Judge Simonton are as follows:

"First—Whether the valuation of the property of the railroads is in issue in the pleadings, or whether the inquiry is to be restricted to the alleged under-valuation?

"Second—Whether the other corporations can be compelled to produce their books for use as evidence bearing on the valuation of their property or to be referred to the officers of said companies subpœnaed as witnesses to refresh their recollections when inquiry is made as to the gross earnings and operating expenses of said corporations?"

Judge Shepherd and the visiting attorneys returned yesterday to their respective homes.

Junior Epworth League.

Last night's regular monthly meeting of the Junior Epworth League of Grace M. E. Church was especially interesting for the programme of exercises that was observed in addition to the regular routine of business, under the general title, "A Study in Methodism." The following were the features of the entertainment:

"Who's Afraid in the Dark?" Durald Borden.

"When Martha Tucked Me In," Lois Stanley.

Recitation, "Making Plans," Walter Davis, Roger Schulken, Hankins Hall, Clarence Craft, Dixie Bowler, Willie Dunham, Charlie Terry, John Cole, Louis Merritt and James Chasten.

Recitation, "Leadville Jim," John Culbreth.

Song, "Blue Bird," Katie Foard, supported by a large chorus.

DIED.

BOYKIN—Thursday morning, March 29th, B. F. BOYKIN; aged about 51 years.

The funeral will take place this (Friday) morning at 11 o'clock, at No. 514 Princess street. Friends and acquaintances invited to attend. Interment in Oakdale.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Photographic Change.

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NEW YORK, MARCH 24, 1900.

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MOON'S PHASES.

New Moon	1	6:25 a. m.	Full Moon	16	3:13 a. m.
First Quarter	8	0:34 a. m.	Third Quarter	24	0:36 a. m.
			New Moon	30	3:30

The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, MARCH 30.

TINKERING WITH THE BANKS.

There seems to be a disposition to take advantage of the provision in the recent currency act to establish national banks with $25,000 capital, in small towns. A good many applications for such banks have already been made, the large majority of them from Western States. There are some from the South, but very few compared with some of the Western States. Speaking of the prospective benefit these banks will do the South, Mr. John L. Williams, banker, of Richmond, is thus quoted in an interview published in the Baltimore *Manufacturers' Record*, which is copied with commendatory comment by the Richmond *Times*. Speaking of the applications for charters, he says:

"As far as I can learn, the national banks are disposed to make the exchange of their government bonds into the new two per cents. and avail themselves of their premiums for active business purposes. I exceedingly doubt whether there will be any considerable number of small banks that will care to avail themselves of the national bank feature. I see nothing in the act to invite capitalists into business on that scale. The South wants local currency. A national bank is not a maker of currency or a secretor of the lubricant of commerce. It does not add a dollar to the money of its neighborhood. National banks were in their origin conceived and formed to force the people to lend their money to the government. They were not a growth or a necessity of peace and commerce and legitimate trade. They are suggestive of the financiering of Joseph in Egypt. They have resulted in government control of banking and currency, and have been a source of corruption and financial demoralization. In the last ten years congestions, panics and paralyses have become familiar through the evil of their existence.

"The utilization and mobilization of wealth, character and credit are the great business of banks. Banks of issue alone give us commercial freedom and health. National banks served a special purpose in an emergency. Their whole nature is force and restriction. The system cannot be reformed and modified on its false and despotic principle. It must be reformed altogether. All efforts to retain the national bank system in our present condition will prove to be only patchwork and quackery. As long as it continues the cry for free silver and greenbacks or some other specific will continue. Our great country wants freedom in all things."

Mr. Williams is a banker and he speaks from the vantage point of a banker who is familiar with the situation and the needs of the South. He can see but little substantial benefit to the South from this law, because more money must go out of the South to start a bank than the bank will bring into it. The only difference between the banking law now and before it was enacted is that notes may be issued to the full face value of the deposited and banks may be started in towns of 4,000 inhabitants with a capital of $25,000, one half the amount formerly required. This makes it practicable to start a bank with less capital than was required, ten per cent. less, but as the bonds sell at a premium, it costs just the amount of the premium more to start a bank than the notes issued on the bonds deposited, so that if the bonds sell at a premium of ten per cent., say, it will take $27,500 to start a $25,000 bank, which means that the bank will take $2,500 more out of the community in which it is started than it will bring into it. This is on the assumption, of course, that the bank is started with local capital, as most of them probably will be. If the capital be invested by outsiders than the community will be a gainer to that extent.

The only benefit we can see that comes from the change in the old law is that it may add somewhat to the volume of note circulation, if the banks find that to their interest, somewhat improves the banking facilities of rural districts, and provides for a somewhat better distribution of the paper currency, and we suppose people ought to be thankful for anything they get these days when legislation is enacted chiefly for the benefit of money manipulators and combines of various kinds.

There is nothing added to the banking system to prevent the flow of currency from the West to the East, and the money famines in one and the plethoras in the other, as heretofore, and until something like that is done there never will be the right kind of a banking system, for just at the time when money may be most needed in the South and in the West is the time when there may be the least of it and when it will be locked up in Eastern vaults or loaned out at practically nominal rates of interest to get it out of the way. Possibly, this may not be true to the same extent in the West and in the South as it has been heretofore. As a result of the new banks that may be stated some of the Western States may be in a better position than they were, but the South will be practically in about the same position she has been. In the West they may seek investment in banks for idle money, but there is no idle money in the South, where there is demand for all the available money in starting cotton factories and other enterprises, and it will not be deemed sound business or good financiering to take $27,500 out of a cotton factory or some other promising enterprise to put into a $25,000 bank. That is one reason and a sufficient one why there will not be many new banks started in the South.

If the question of our local currency and how to provide it were left to our States to settle we would soon have all the banks we needed and a volume of currency that would be adequate at all times to meet the demands of business, and under such safeguards as to make the banks secure and such regulations as would give people starting in business, farmers and others, opportunities to borrow such sums of money as they might need, with real estate and other security that is not available with the national banks. That's what the South needs, home banks based on home assets, but this we will never get until the Republican party—which is controlled and manipulated by the money and other combines—is routed and a party that believes the people are entitled to more consideration than the combines takes its place in directing public policies.

GENERAL WHEELER ON THE PHILIPPINES.

Since his return from Manila General Wheeler has written an article for *Frank Leslie's Weekly*, giving his views as to the Philippines and what we should do with them, the substance of which is contained in the following:

"I believe that the back of the rebellion in the Philippines is broken; there will be little more to do in a military way. There will be some guerilla warfare, but it will not amount to much. As for Aguinaldo I do not consider him a patriot. He was fighting for a great prize. Had he won he would have been a powerful emperor, a mighty dictator.

"As far as possible I believe that we should establish a good civil government in the Philippines. I am in favor of territorial government and I see nothing incongruous in making these various islands into Territories The group should be divided into three or four Territories, not only because of the extent of the islands, but because of the antagonism existing between the different peoples. Some of these tribes have been our devoted friends and it would be most unfair not to give them the right of self-government. Many of them are already fit for self-government in local affairs and under Territorial Governors appointed by us they would get along very well, I am sure.

"I consider the Filipinos a very superior people—a people with great possibilities. They are ambitious; many of them have been finely educated in Europe; they are not to be spoken of in the same breath with the Africans, so far as their possibilities go.

"They are, too, easily governed and with the fair treatment they will receive from us we shall have no trouble with them. They appreciate consideration, but are sensitive and unwilling to be treated as inferiors. They are a little distrustful of us.

"We owe much to the many citizens of the islands who are not Filipinos and especially to those Filipinos who have been friendly to us.

"If our army were withdrawn from the islands the natives who have befriended us would be subjected to all sorts of persecutions and many of them would meet death, all on account of their kindness to us. I am not yet prepared to speak as to the remote future of the Philippines."

When General Wheeler last November forwarded his resignation to the President he gave as a reason that he then believed the "insurrection" crushed and the war practically at an end, while we are now told by military gentlemen presumed to be somewhat familiar with the situation there that the conditions are little if any better than they were twelve months ago. We are told that new life has been infused into the "rebellion," that reorganization of the Filipino forces has begun, that they have become aggressive, attacked our outposts and forced either the abandoning of these or their reinforcement. Even the conditions in Manila, right under Gen. Otis' nose, have become threatening, so much so that a couple days ago it was announced that Gen. Otis had suppressed two Manila papers and imprisoned the editors. So much for the improved conditions.

It may be noted that General Wheeler has a decidedly higher opinion of the Filipinos and of their ability to take care of themselves than the average expansionist has, who has represented them to be a semi-savage race, "half-devil and half-child," which needs our paternal care to get along in the world. But General Wheeler doesn't think it would do to withdraw our troops because serious consequences might follow that, and the Filipinos who had been friendly to us might be made to suffer for this friendship.

We haven't heard any one propose to withdraw our troops until governments had been established and the conditions were such as to make that practicable. In other words, why cannot the same course be pursued there as has been and is proposed to be pursued in Cuba, that is, give those people to understand that when peace is restored and stable governments established our troops will be withdrawn and the government of the islands turned over to their own people. If such assurance were given by this Government the Filipinos would have no good grounds for continuing to fight us, although they may still, as General Wheeler says, "distrust us," but not, it may be added, without good reason.

But this would defeat the expansion programme, and the expansionists are attaching much more importance to that than they are to pacifying the Filipinos and saving the treasure and lives of Americans.

AN IRREPARABLE LOSS.

When Gen. Cronje was forced to surrender the Boers lost a commander of inestimable value, but when General Joubert died they suffered an irreparable loss. He was the master spirit of the army, the organizer and planner under whose directing brain and hand the Boer armies moved, whose military genius and strategic ability so long kept the British armies at bay, although commanded by their best officers, and superior in numbers, and several times made them bite the dust. And he did this until confronted by overwhelming numbers, and incomparably superior resources.

Joubert was no ordinary soldier relying upon pluck and the crude tactics of the frontiersman, but was thoroughly read soldier familiar with all the standard works on military matters. With that he was a man of tireless energy, while he had in him the personal magnetism that drew his men to him to follow where he led or ordered, while they had unbounded confidence in his ability to lead and to command.

With all this he was a cool, level-headed reasoner, as conservative and wise in council as he was impetuous and daring in action when occasion demanded. For these traits he commanded not only the devotion and admiration of his own people, but the respect and esteem of his adversaries.

At any time the loss of such a leader to a struggling people would be a great one, but at this time it is an irreparable one to the Boers.

BOOK NOTICES.

The Eclectic Magazine for April presents an interesting list of contents selected from the leading European periodicals. Several of the papers are devoted to South Africa and the Transvaal question. Address The Living Age Company, Boston, Mass.

The Century Magazine for April is a superb number, handsomely illustrated and filled with choice reading matter. Two very interesting papers are "The Greatest Chinese Wonder" and "Talks With Napoleon." Published by The Century Company, Union Square, New York.

The little folks will enjoy the April number of *St. Nicholas*, which is filled with interesting reading matter, handsomely illustrated. While all of its articles are entertaining some of them are instructive as well. Published by the Century Company, Union Square, New York.

The April number of *Frank Leslie's Monthly* is a very neat and a very interesting number, filled with choice reading matter, handsomely illustrated. Among other articles there is one that will especially interest the ladies, telling what women have done as inventors. Address Frank Leslie Publishing House 141-143 Fifth Avenue, New York.

As an illustration of the progress in China it is stated that while in 1895 there were published in the whole of that country only eleven newspapers, and five of these in Hong Kong, there are now in Shanghai fifteen papers, of which twelve are dailies, and in all of China proper thirty-five. This isn't many, but they will do for a starter. Publishing papers in China, where a compositor has to hop around and climb ladders to get the characters he wants, isn't any pic-nic.

Germany is one of the countries that the subsidy boomers point to as an encourager of her merchant marine. But Germany permits her ship runners to have ships built where they choose. In 1898 English yards built for Germans ships of 37,000 tons, and last year ships of 68,000 tons, nearly twice as much. Our subsidy statesmen will not let Americans do this, but insist that they shall have their ships built in American yards, regardless of cost.

Millions Given Away.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine; and have the satisfaction of knowing that it has cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all diseases of the Throat, Chest and Lungs are surely cured by it. Call on R. R. BELLAMY, druggist, and get a 10 cent trial bottle. Regular size 50 cents and $1; every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded. †

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Goldsboro *Argus*: It was a one-armed white man instead of a negro which the negro Oscar Durham beat so badly Monday on the public road. His name is William Morris. Besides other bad bruises on his person his only arm was broken by a heavy blow from the negro's stick.

— Concord *Standard*: Mr. C. G. Heilig, since finding the rich gold on his farm, has had some prospecting done and has located the true vein. At a depth of three feet the vein is ten inches bound with slate. He has a piece of ore weighing about 60 pounds which upon being broken open exposed to view about 20 pennyweight of pure gold.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: Van de Venter Carpet Works at Greensboro have doubled the number of weaving looms, and are now preparing to put in spindles, so as to spin their own yarns. The owners are thinking of moving their entire plant from New Jersey to Greensboro.

— Washington *Gazette*: Our townsman, D. M. Carter, has sent Hon. J H. Small an egg on which the letters W. J. B. are inscribed, to be presented to W. J. Bryan, that is the object of much curiosity in Washington Mr. Carter says in his letter to Mr. Small, this egg was found while warm in Mr. Woolard's hen house with the initials on it, and Mr. Woolard requests that it be sent to Mr. Bryan.

— Laurinburg *Exchange*: The stockholders of cotton mill No. 3 met in Fields Hall Monday afternoon at 4 P. M. Judging from the eagerness that the people manifested to subscribe, we would infer that they have arrived at the conclusion that money lodged in cotton mills is safely and profitably invested. Something like $90,000 was raised Monday and all local capital. The books were closed at 4 P M. and by that time the amount had footed up to $129,990.

— Clinton *Democrat*: We are sorry to learn of the misfortune that befell Mr. J. S. Hines, of Piney Grove, on the night of the 18th inst. His barn with all its contents, consisting of corn, fodder, and fertilizers for the season, belonging to himself and tenants, were consumed by fire. It is thought that the fire was caused by careless smoking by some boys who were about the premises, feeding the stock. —— An eight your old child of Sam and Julia Shavers, colored, met with a horrible death last Wednesday the 21 inst., by burning while its parents were off at work. The child was standing near the fire-place when its clothing ignited and all of its clothes burned off of it, save a piece of collar binding around its neck, before any one arrived to put it out. The only others in the house were one child about nine years and an infant. The burning child ran out into the strawberry patch and the pine straw took fire from it.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— A Republican editor has the face to assert that Mr. McKinley has declined to bring any pressure to bear on congress in behalf of the Porto Rican tariff. All that he did was to send for forty or fifty congressmen and plead with them to support the tariff bill.—*Atlanta Constitution, Dem.*

—— Why is it, by the way, that the Republican statesmen are so backward about conferring the inestimable privilege of the American ballot on the colored people of Porto Rico and Luzon? Can it possibly be because their votes would not count in a "national" election?—*Charleston News and Courier, Dem.*

—— The subsidy mongers never cease to prate about the alleged steamship bounties paid by the British and German Governments; but very carefully avoid mention of the fact that the great bulk of ocean transportation is carried on by tramp ships which never receive a dollar of subsidy. If all the alleged subsidy paid by the British and German Governments should be offered to the Frye-Hanna bill on a gold plate they would disdain to accept it. These foreign subsidies are the mere blind behind which a raid is to be made upon the United States Treasury. - *Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

—— All the English histories laud the heroism of the Russians who burned Moscow to make certain the ruin of Napoleon. Why, then, the burning of Johannesburg would constitute an unpardonable sin in the eyes of international law we cannot understand with our present lights. In case of a protracted siege of Pretoria, the buildings of Johannesburg, just thirty miles away would be a valuable depot for Lord Roberts, and its destruction could, therefore, be defended as a military necessity. But perhaps Englishmen talk a little through their hats when they touch upon South African topics, as well as when they report the rushing of so many South African kopjes.—*Jacksonville (Fla.) Times,—Union and Citizen, Dem.*

TWINKLINGS.

—"Exorbitant prices never scare me." "Why not?" "When prices get too high I quit needing things."—*Chicago Record.*

— "Where have you been all the afternoon?" "Music hall. Piano recital." "Infernally tiresome, wasn't it?" "Not at all. I was the pianist."—*Caicago Tribune.*

— Mrs. Bingo—"You must be careful what you say to the cook, dear, or she will leave." Bingo—"Why, was I hard on her?" "Were you! Why, any one would have thought you were talking to me."—*Life.*

— "Did that traveller say we Filipinos are a great race?" asked one native with an expression of satisfaction. "No," answered the other. "He simply said we are a great lot of racers."—*Washington Star.*

— "I thought that you were satisfied that that palmist was a fake. You haven't been to see him again?" "Yes, and as soon as he looked at my hand he saw trouble in it." So?" "Yes; I shook it under his nose."

— Those Loving Girls: Miss Antiquate—"You may not believe it, but I refused offers from seven men during the past six months." Miss Cutting—"Oh, I don't doubt it; but what were they selling?"—*Chicago News.*

— He—"That's a peculiar ring you are wearing. Has it a history?" She—"Yes; it's a war relic." He—"Indeed! Tell me about it, pray." She—"Oh, there isn't much to tell. I won it in my first engagement."—*Chicago News.*

— Bunco Steerer—"Excuse me, sir, but your face is familiar!" Farmer Greene—"Yew probably seen it in the *Connecticut Farmer* for last July, whar I wuz a-standin' beside my prize Holstein bull in a photygraft. I kinder thought I'd be recognized when I got to New York."—*Puck.*

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That fact is so obvious that you wonder why any one can offer "sympathy" as the chief feature of treatment for the delicate diseases of women. Yet women are invited to "write to a woman who can sympathize with woman," and the theme of their correspondence is to be the delicate, difficult and dangerous diseases which undermine a woman's health and strength. It is true that such offers are combined with an offer of "medical advice." But medical advice can only be given by a competent physician, and no mention is made in such offers of a physician's or doctor's advice. It is not offered because it cannot be given. The offer is not being made by a qualified physician.

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BAGGING—	
2 ℔ Jute	6¾@ 7
Standard	7 @ 7½
Burlaps	5@ 6¼
WESTERN SMOKED—	
Hams ℔ ℔	13½ @ 15
Sides ℔ ℔	@ 8
Shoulders ℔ ℔	@ 8
DRY SALTED—	
Sides ℔ ℔	6½@ 6¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔	@ 6
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—	
Second-hand, each	@ 1 40
New New York, each	1 40@ 1 50
New City, each	1 40@ 1 50
BEESWAX ℔ ℔	@ 24
BRICKS—	
Wilmington ℔ M	6 75 @ 7 00
Northern	9 00 @ 14 00
BUTTER—	
North Carolina ℔ ℔	18 @ 20
Northern	25 @ 30
CORN MEAL—	
Per bushel, in sacks	51 @ 52
Virginia Meal	51 @ 52
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	1 25 @ 1 35
CANDLES—℔ ℔—	
Sperm	18 @ 25
Adamantine	8 @ 11
CHEESE—℔ ℔—	
Northern Factory	13 @ 13
Dairy Cream	13½@ 14
State	11½@ 13
COFFEE—℔ ℔—	
Laguyra	13 @ 16
Rio	9½@ 11
DOMESTICS—	
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard	@ 5¾
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s	@ 70
EGGS—℔ dozen	10 @ 11
FISH—	
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00 @ 30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl	11 00 @ 15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00 @ 18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl	8 00 @ 9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00 @ 14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 75 @ 4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	@ 3 50
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00 @ 3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5 @ 10
Extra	4 35 @ 4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—	
Low grade	@ 3 00
Choice	@ 3 50
Straight	3 85 @ 4 00
First Patent	4 25 @ 4 50
GLUE—℔ ℔	10½@ 11½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—	
Corn, from store, bgs—White	@ 55
Car-load, in bgs—White	53 @ 53½
Oats, from store	38 @ 40
Oats, Rust Proof	@ 45
Cow Peas	80 @ 90
HIDES—℔ ℔—	
Green salted	@ 6½
Dry flint	10 @ 12½
Dry salt	@ 10
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s	
Clover Hay	80 @ 92
Rice Straw	40 @ 50
Eastern	90 @ 1 00
Western	90 @ 1 00
North River	80 @ 85
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	3½@ 3¾
LARD, ℔ ℔—	
North Carolina	7 @ 8¼
North Carolina	8 @ 10
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15 @ 1 25
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—	
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00 @ 20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00 @ 16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00 @ 18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00 @ 22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00 @ 15 00
Common mill	5 00 @ 6 50
Fair mill	6 50 @ 8 00
Prime mill	8 50 @ 10 00
Extra mill	10 00 @ 10 50
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—	
Barbadoes, in hogshead	@ 25
Barbadoes, in barrels	@ 28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	28 @ 30
Porto Rico, in barrels	26 @ 32½
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12 @ 14
Sugar House, in barrels	14 @ 15
Syrup, in barrels	15 @ 25
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	2 85 @ 3 00
PORK, ℔ barrel—	
City Mess	11 75 @ 12 00
Rump	11 50 @ 19 00
Prime	11 00 @ 11 50
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10 @ 22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum	@ 1 35
Liverpool	90 @ 95
American	85 @ 90
On 126 ℔ Sacks	@ 60
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00 @ 6 50
Common	1 50 @ 2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50 @ 2 75
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	@ 5¼
Standard A	@ 5¼
White Extra C	@ 4¾
Extra C, Golden	@ 4¼
C, Yellow	@ 4¾
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3¼@ 6
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00 @ 14 00
R. O. Hogshead	@ 10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	9 00 @ 10 00
SHINGLES, N. C. Cypress sawed	
℔ M 6x24 heart	7 50 @ 8 50
" Sap	5 00 @ 6 00
5x20 Heart	3 00 @ 3 50
" Sap	2 00 @ 2 50
6x24 Heart	6 00 @ 6 50
" Sap	5 00 @ 5 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔	@ 6
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern	1 00 @ 2 00
North Carolina	1 00 @ 00
WOOL, per ℔—Unwashed	14 @ 18
Mill, Prime	7 50 @ 8 75
Mill, Fair	6 00 @ 7 00
Common Mill	5 00 @ 6 00
Inferior to ordinary	3 50 @ 5 00

Briefs From Billville.

We understand that all Dewey needs in his new house is coal. We haven't any coal, but we have shipped him two carloads of Georgia light wood knots, with our compliments.

Brumby day was even more than we expected. All of our relatives swooped down on us, and we had to hire a fright train to take 'em to it.

Billville is not represented in the legislature this year. Our late representative got a government pension for having his leg cut off while reading war news, and he has gone to Ty-Ty to spend it.

We have no advice to give the Georgia legislature. The members got in there, and they know what for.—Atlanta Constitution.

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, March 29.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 53 cents per gallon for machine made casks and 52½ cts per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Nothing doing.

TAR—Market steady at $1.20 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market nominal at $2.00 per barrel for hard, $3.25 for dip, and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine steady at 39@38½c; rosin firm at 95c@$1.00; tar steady at $1.00; crude turpentine, nothing doing.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	19
Rosin	372
Tar	212
Crude turpentine	8

Receipts same day last year.—17 casks spirits turpentine, 355 bbls rosin, 536 bbls tar, 00 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 9½c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	7 1-16 cts ℔
Good ordinary	8 7 16 " "
Low middling	9 1-16 " "
Middling	9¼ " "
Good middling	9¾ " "

Same day last year middling quiet at 6c.

Receipts—181 bales; same day last year, 10.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 70c. Extra prime, 75c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 77½@80c. Virginia—Prime, 50c; extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c.

CORN—Firm, 53¼ to 55 cents per bushel for white.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tide-water) 55 cents; upland, 50@60 cents. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 10 to 11c per pound; shoulders, 7 to 8c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five-inch hearts and saps, $2.25 to 3.25; six-inch, $4.00 to 5.00; seven-inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.50 to 9.00 per M.

LOCAL SECURITIES.

Quotations on local securities, furnished and regularly corrected by Hugh MacRae & Co.:

STOCKS.	BID.	ASKED.
A. C. L. of Conn., 5 per ct. Certs	110	113¼
A. C. L. of Conn., stock	158	...
A. C. L. of S. C.	123	...
Wilmington & Weldon	188	...
W. & W. 7 per ct Certs	139	...
C. F. R.	187	189
Wilmington Compress Co	...	10
Delgado Mills	100¼	110
Wilmington Cotton Mills, pfd	110	115
Wilmington Gas Light Co	70	74
Carolina Insurance Co	107½	...
Underwriters' Insurance Co	...	107½
National Bank of Wilmington	119	115
Atlantic National Bank	200	...
Murchison National Bank	112	...
W. L. Savings & Trust Co	215	...
Wachovia Loan & Trust Co	...	...
Bank of Laurinburg	...	...
Henrietta Mills	200	225
Blue Ridge National Bank	110	113
BONDS.		
N. C. 4's	106	108
N. C. 6's	...	140
City Wilm. con. 5's, gold, 1920	112	115
City Wilm. con. 5's, cur	100	...
City Wilm. 5's 1919	100	...
City Wilm. 6's	101	105
Masonic Temple 1st 6's	105	...
Masonic Temple 2d 6's	...	100
Wilmington Compress Co.'s 8's	85	...
Wilmington & Weldon 5's	116	...
A. C. L. 4's	100	...
N. H. County 5's, gold, 1907	...	105½
City of Wilmington 4's, 1929	103	103½

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 29.—Money on call steady; actual transactions were at 3@4 per cent., last loan at 4. Prime mercantile paper 4¼@5½ per cent. Sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at 486¼ for demand and 483¼@483¾ for sixty days. Posted rates 483½ and 487. Commercial bills 481¼@482¼. Silver certificates 60¼@61¼. Bar silver 59¼. Mexican dollars 47¾. Government bonds were steady. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds irregular. U. S. refunding 2's (when issued) 104½; U. S. 2's, reg'd, 100¼; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 110¾; do. coupon, 110¾. U. S. new 4's, reg'd, 134½; do. coupon, 134½; U. S. old 4's, reg'd, 115½; do. coupon, 116½; U. S. 5's, reg'd, 114¾; do. coupon, 114¾; N. C. 6's 127½; do. 4's, 106; Southern R'y 5's 113. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 81; Chesapeake & Ohio 32½; Manhattan L 96½; New York Central 137¾; Reading 19¾; do. 1st prefer'd 63¾; St. Paul 123¾; do. preferred 172; Southern Railway 15¾; do. pref'd 60¾; American Tobacco, 104½; do. preferred 138; People's Gas 103; Sugar 98¾; do. preferred 108; T. C. & Iron 95; U. S. Leather 12¾; do. preferred 73; Western Union 83.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 29.—Rosin was firm. Spirits turpentine firm.

CHARLESTON, March 29.—Spirits turpentine firm at 51½c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — barrels.

SAVANNAH, March 29.—Spirits turpentine firm at 53c; sales 327 casks; receipts 271 casks; exports — casks. Rosin—Pales nominal; other grades firm; sales — barrels; receipts 747 barrels; exports — barrels.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 29.—The market for cotton was nervous, irregular and generally weak to-day. Opening with prices one point higher to three points lower, a selling movement suddenly developed with but little resistance until the attention of sellers was attracted to the less favorable character of the reports from the South respecting the status of the new crop. The reports, while somewhat conflicting, told of late planting and unsatisfactory germination for the more southerly localities, while practically no planting as yet was reported for the Atlantic territory. A good deal of cotton has lately been sold upon the basis of heavy acreage. This led to caution. However, the general market showed a weak undertone throughout the session. The English decline was attributed by private cables chiefly to bear accounts from this side. The local market was almost entirely lacking in outside support and depended on covering by shorts for business. Public cables noting a further decline of 1-16d in spot prices and 2½ and 4½ 64d in futures, yarns at Manchester quiet and very little doing in cloths, were decidedly unsatisfactory. Following the opening call the market broke sharply. There was general and heavy selling in the afternoon and prices closed steady at the lowest point.

NEW YORK, March 29.—Cotton quiet; middling uplands 9⅝c.

Cotton futures closed steady: March 9.16, April 9.23, May 9.23, June 9.16, July 9.15, August 9.06, September 8.35, October 8.13, November 7.98, December 7.98, January 7.99, February 8.00.

Spot cotton closed quiet at ⅛c decline; middling uplands 9⅝c; middling gulf 9⅞c; sales 260 bales.

Net receipts 816 bales; gross receipts 3,508 bales; exports to Great Britain 10,500 bales; exports to the Continent 1,206 bales; exports to France 719 bales; stock 136,637 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 11,347 bales; exports to Great Britain 10,500 bales; exports to France 719 bales; exports to the Continent 7,606 bales; stock 778,738 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 68,721 bales; exports to Great Britain 33,033 bales; exports to France 15,066 bales; exports to the Continent 43,659 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 5,913,910 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,840,067 bales; exports to France 633,781 bales; exports to the Continent 2,056,304 bales.

March 29.—Galveston, steady at 9⅛c, net receipts 2,474 bales; Norfolk, nominal at 9⅝c, net receipts 256 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 9 15 16c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 9¼, net receipts 1,023 bales; Wilmington, firm at 9½c, net receipts 181 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 9¾c, net receipts 75 bales; Savannah, quiet at 9⅛, net receipts 3,113 bales; New Orleans, quiet at 9¼, net receipts 1,714 bales; Mobile, quiet at 9¼c, net receipts 68 bales; Memphis, steady at 9 7-16c, net receipts 422 bales; Augusta, quiet at 9⅝c, net receipts 335 bales; Charleston, firm at 9⅝c, net receipts 627 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 29.—Flour was not active. The decline in wheat caused buyers to withdraw before much business had been done, and the close was steady at old prices. Wheat—Spot steady; No. 2 red 80¾c; options opened steady and not very active, but developed a pronounced bull movement later in the day on heavy St. Louis buying and short local demand. All of the foreign markets came higher and with rumors of a good export demand West and remarkable strength in pork, also contributed to our upturn. The close, however, owing to late realizing was rather easy to a partial ½c net advance. Sales included: No. 2 red March closed 78½c; May closed 73⅝c; July closed 73¼c. Corn—Spot steady; No. 2 45¼c; options opened firm on the advance in provisions and ruled steady all day without much feature. The indifference of foreign markets checked buying somewhat. Closed unchanged to ½c net higher, March closed 45c; May closed 43¾c; July closed 44c. Oats—Spot dull; No. 2, 28¾c; options were very quiet and about steady all day, closing dull and unchanged; May closed 28¾c. Lard steady; Western steam $6 75; March closed $6 75; refined quiet. Pork strong; family $14 00. Petroleum steady. Butter easy; Western creamery 21@25c; State dairy 19@24c. Eggs firm; Southern 11@11½c at mark; Western 11¼c at mark. Potatoes quiet. Cheese quoted firm; fancy large white 13c; fancy large colored 13@13¼c; fancy small white 13@13¼c. Cabbage quiet. Freights to Liverpool —Cotton by steam 30d. Rice steady. Tallow quiet. Cotton seed oil quiet and steady and a little more active, with less selling pressure than usual. May prime summer yellow in barrels, 36¼c; off summer yellow nominal; butter grades 37@39c; prime winter yellow 39c; prime white 38@39c; prime meal $26 50@$27 00. Coffee—Spot Rio nominal; No. 7 invoice 7¾c; No. 7 jobbing 8¼c; mild dull; Cordova 9¼@14c. Sugar—Raw firm; fair refining 3 31-32; centrifugal 96 test 4 15-32; molasses sugar 3 25-32c; refined irregular.

CHICAGO, March 29.—W

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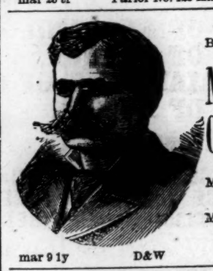

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"I happened to be on duty at the time and at once made my way to the wharf where the body was secured.

"When the body was drawn from the water and stretched out, all dripping, upon the dock, a smothered cry of horror burst from the lips of the bystanders as their eyes fell upon a terrible gash in the dead man's forehead, plainly indicating that he was the victim of a foul murder.

"Upon receiving permission from the coroner I proceeded to search the victim's clothes, but some one, his murderers, as I correctly concluded, had anticipated me. I found nothing but a few grains of burned coffee in his vest pocket.

"The body was ordered to be taken to the morgue for identification, nd I returned to the office, taking the coffee grains with me. I had already formed a theory and had some slight hopes of working out the mystery.

"For three days the body remained at the morgue before it was identified. A Boston firm had seen the keeper's advertisement, giving a description of the man's dress and general appearance, and when one of the firm came on he at once recognized the remains as those of their confidential clerk, who had left Boston for New York about a week previously on business for the firm.

"I called on this gentleman and learned from him that Mr. Freeman, the murdered man, had been the owner of a beautiful watch, diamond studs and sleeve buttons and that he most likely had several hundred dollars in money about him at the time he was killed.

"Having ascertained this much, I went to work. To me the coffee grains spoke volumes, and I read my way out of the mystery quite clearly.

"My first dodge was the adoption of a suitable disguise. I assumed that of a 'canaller.' The latter term, you know, is applied by thieves to all greenies from the country. When properly rigged for my purpose, I sallied forth, and, commencing at a point some ten blocks below where the body was found, I took in every drinking place from thence on the river front up to ten blocks above. I was looking for a barroom where coffee grains, allspice and cloves were kept on the bar as taste killers. But they were all low places that I entered, and I did not find those condiments set out in any of them, so I took one street back and traversed the same as I had the river front, and, finding none there, I took the next, and here I found my gin mill with coffee grains on the bar. It was situated on the corner of the street which terminated on the pier near which the body had been found.

"So far, so good; I was satisfied in my own mind that I was now in the house which the murdered man had last visited previous to being brutally murdered.

"The first glance I fastened upon the barkeeper satisfied me that he was a bad one—a thorough villain, but a coward, one of those chaps who try to intimidate by loud talk and slang phrases.

"When I walked up to the bar and asked for something to drink, he eyed me disdainfully and came seemingly reluctantly forward to wait on me.

"But when I disclosed a well filled wallet and laid down a $20 bill his whole manner changed instantly and he was quite agreeable.

"At length he excused himself, went to the door and beckoned to a youth to come over. I understood that movement. I was pleased, and you will learn why shortly.

"The youth came over, when the bartender said:

"'Johnny, tend bar for me a little while. I want to go to the barber's.' Then, turning to me, he added: 'Don't leave, old man; there will be some of the lads in by and by, and I'll be back in a few minutes.'

"You may just bet, Herbert, that I had no intention of leaving; things were working nicely. It was fully 20 minutes before the bartender returned, and when he did so I noticed that he had not been shaved, but as I meant to shave him a trifle close I did not bother myself about this.

"Five minutes after his return the bartender was followed by two of the worst looking villains I had ever seen—two sweet 'buds' of the first water.

"I was soon introduced to these plugs and invited to drink. I drank, of course. Drink followed drink. Cards were proposed. I played and won. It was a foggy, disagreeable night—excellent weather for murder.

"My two friends proposed that we should go on board a ship out on the pier and they would get me a genuine bottle of brandy from the captain, who was a friend of theirs. I will not bother your readers with my expressions of reluctance to going out there nor the subtle arguments they used to persuade me, but at last I consented, of course. We had proceeded half way up the pier when I concluded it was two against one and things had gone far enough. I wanted them both. Turning suddenly, I dealt one a tap on the head with a club which I had kept concealed, and he reeled and fell. I quickly clasped 'wristlets' on the other before he fairly realized what was going on.

"'What is this for?' exclaimed the ruffian with an oath.

"'Murder,' I replied quietly as I adjusted the cuffs on him and pinned him to the other one.

"Such volleys of oaths and curses as I listened to while taking these two pirates—for that's what they were, river pirates—to the office was a caution; but I was used to that.

"At the office we found the murdered man's studs upon them and other small articles, which were afterward identified as having belonged to their victim.

"My judgment about that bartender was correct. He turned out to be an arrant coward.

"He turned state's evidence and gave his confederates away. When he left the saloon on pretense of going to the barber's, he went to bring in the two pirates, and I was the intended victim, but they missed a fly catch just once. One of them died in prison, the other was hanged, and two years later I had the pleasure of seeing the barkeeper, who escaped in the above case by turning state's evidence, sent to Sing Sing for 20 years in another case; he got the full swing for his previous connection with the famous dock murder."—Exchange.

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"You don't tell me that was the Mr. Smith that has the wooden leg?"

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A WOMAN.

God did not make her very wise,
But carved a dimple where her mouth;
He put her great sorrow in her eyes
And softness for men's souls in drouth,
And on her face, for all to see,
The seal of awful tragedy.

God did not make her very fair,
But white and lithe and strange and sweet;
A subtle fragrance in her hair,
A slender swiftness in her feet,
And in her hands a slow caress,
God made these for my steadfastness.

God did not give to her a heart,
But there is that within her face
To make men long to muse apart
Until they goodness find and grace,
And think to read and worship there
All good, yet she is scarcely fair.

—A. B. Miall in New York Tribune.

"THE LOST CHORD."

How Sir Arthur Sullivan Came to Write That Famous Melody.

Colonel Robert E. Lee Wentling, a great traveler and musican, tells the following interesting story:

"It was while visiting the house of a nobleman in England that I first heard the story of the birth of 'The Lost Chord,' a song that has been sung in every quarter of the globe and which will live forever. If ever there was such a thing as inspiration, that song was inspired.

"There are very few Englishmen who do not remember Fred Sullivan, the great comic star and brother of Sir Arthur Sullivan. He played in all the original Gilbert and Sullivan operas and has never been equaled. He was later followed by George Grossmith.

"One day Sir Arthur Sullivan was notified that his brother Fred was very ill. He made every effort to reach the house where his brother was lying at the point of death, but arrived too late to see him alive. The two brothers were devoted to each other, and the blow was a bitter one for Sir Arthur. He was closeted with the body of his brother for two hours, at the expiration of which time he came down stairs and went to the piano. Throwing the instrument open, he began to play, and, bar by bar, 'The Lost Chord' was evolved. The composer sadly put his new composition on paper and stored it away.

"The song is the wail of a throbbing heart, the grief of desolation. All through its beautiful harmony can be heard the strain of grief. So profound an impression did the association of the song with the death of his brother make on Sir Arthur that he is said to have, even at this late day, an aversion to hearing it performed."—Baltimore News.

Gave Her a Begging Bowl.

Mme. Antoinette Sterling, the contralto singer and evangelist, had an experience in the Bombay presidency, India, which is as quaint as any of Kipling's tales of the hills. She was campaigning with Pundita Ramabai, and through her magnificent voice was drawing thousands of natives to her meetings. They had never seen that kind of a missionary before and had never heard a voice like hers. They were so pleased with her work that they said to themselves:

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In India every guru, or holy person, carries a brass, wood or clay begging bowl, into which the devout put some small sum of money. Mme. Sterling walked out upon the veranda of her bungalow one morning, and there, to her amazement, found two begging bowls—one, a little one, with a few annas in it, intended for the pundita and one, an enormous affair, containing a handsome sum of annas and rupees for herself.

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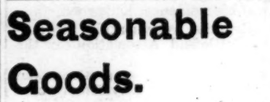

WILMINGTON, N. C., March 24th, 1900.

The Board of Directors of the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad Company have declared three and one-half per cent. interest on the Certificates of Indebtedness of that Company due and payable on and after April 1st, 1900, to all holders of record of this date.

The transfer books will stand closed from March 24th to April 1st, 1900, inclusive.

JAMES F. POST,
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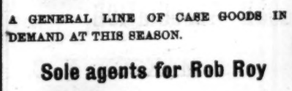

SPECIAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS.

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JAMES F. POST, Secretary.

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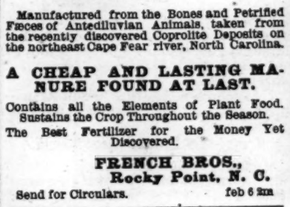

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DEPARTURES FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND

DAILY 9.45 A. M. — No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.16 A. M., Warsaw 11 36 A. M., Goldsboro 12.21 P. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., †Tarboro 2.31 P. M. Weldon 4.32 P. M., Petersburg 6.36 P. M., Richmond 7.25 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.03 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 8.00 P. M.

DAILY 6.50 P. M. — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.26 P. M., Warsaw 8.53 P. M., Goldsboro 9.27 P. M., Wilson 10.20 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.11 P. M. Weldon 1.04 A. M., †Norfolk 10.35 A. M., Petersburg 2.37 A. M., Richmond 3.33 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.30 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M. New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. — No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.28 P. M. Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M. Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 6.12 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.20 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. — No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.05 P.M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P M — No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.00 P. M., New York *3.30 P. M., Philadelphia 12.20 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M. Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 9.48 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.52 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.20 P. M., Warsaw 4.22 P. M., Magnolia 4.55 P. M.

DAILY 9.40 A M — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.00 A. M., Philadelphia 11.38 A. M., Baltimore 1 46 P. M., Washington 3.07 P M., Richmond 6.48 P. M., Petersburg 7.21 P. M., †Norfolk 2.30 P. M., Weldon 5.53 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.20 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. — No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.35 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 3.15 P. M — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.38 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M. Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.50 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.35 A. M., Marion 10.30 A M., Chadbourn 11.35 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.08 A. M

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 6.40 A. M. — No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.30 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 3.41 P. M., leave Fayetteville 3.46 P. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.15 A. M. Maxton 9.30 A. M., Red Springs 9 58 A. M., Hope Mills 10.42 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 10.55 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.40 P. M., Hope Mills 4.55 P. M., Red Springs 5.35 P. M., Maxton 6.15 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leave Rocky Mount 7.00 A. M., arrive Weldon 8 06 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 A. M., arrive Richmond 11.05 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.37 P. M., Kinston 7.35 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.38 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 3.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11 00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

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Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7 50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.35 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 10.00 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 11.10 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leave Spring Hope 11.30 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 12.15 A. M.; 5.35 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.02 A. M., arrive Latta 10.34 A. M., Dillon 10.56 A. M., Rowland 10.54 A M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.30 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A M. Chadbourn 11.50 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 7.13 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.00 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.35 A. M.; 5.55 P. M Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M. Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.05 A. M., Wadesboro 12.35 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.30 P. M., Bennettsville 9.17 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.50 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.05 A. M

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.00 A. M. Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.00 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.00 A. M., Darlington 6.30 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.58 P. M., 10.35 P M., arrive Selma 2.45 P. M. 11.10 P. M., Smithfield 3.08 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M. Fayetteville 4.25 P. M., 12.17 A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M. returning leave Rowland 10.53 A. M., Fayetteville 12.20 P. M., 9.56 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.54 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.35 P. M., 11.31 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.25 A. M., Creston 5.19 A. M., arrive Denmark 6.12 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.15 P. M., Sumter 6.03 P M. Daily.

Trains leave Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning, leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.30P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 3.10 P. M., arrive Elliotts 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

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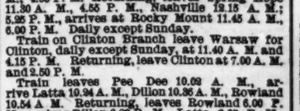

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Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with South

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, MARCH 30.

ARMY TRANSPORT SERVICE.

Forty-nine Vessels of All Classes Purchased by War Department Since Beginning of Spanish War.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—Acting Secretary Meikeljohn has sent a report from the Quartermaster General to the Senate in reply to a resolution of January 9th last, calling upon the Secretary of War for a list of all transport ships and other vessels purchased or chartered by the War Department since March 4th, 1897, together with their names, from whom purchased or chartered, the cost of purchase or charter, the cost of fitting up or repair, and the number and names of vessels sold, and the reasons for such action.

The department's answer is in the form of three large tables, replying specifically to the various inquiries of the Senate. From these it appears that only one vessel was sold, the steam tug Atlantic, which was worn out and condemned. She brought $1,509. The transport Hooker, which was fitted up for laying a deep sea cable in the Philippines, grounded near Corregidor islands, while en route from Manila to Hong Kong, and was lost. The steam lighter Bessie became the property of the government under the terms of the charter, for $12,207, and was re named the Kearney.

It was shown that thirteen vessels have been purchased by the Quartermaster's Department since March 4th, 1897, exclusive of those purchased for the army transport service for transportation incident to the Spanish war. These included the ferry boat John Hancock, the steam tugs General Hunt, Martha and John Barry, and ten steam launches, at a total cost of $112,479, with $9,525 for repairs.

Forty-nine vessels of all classes were purchased for the army transport service during and since the Spanish war, including about twenty-five small craft, such as tugs, launches and lighters purchased in the Philippines. The total purchas price of these vessels was $8,074,455, and the total cost of refitting and repairing was $5,189,093. The most expensive vessels were the transports Grant, Logan, Sheridan, Sherman, Thomas and Hancock. The purchase price of the first five named was $660,000 each, and that of the Hancock $600,000. The expense of fitting up these vessels is stated as follows: Hancock $543,516; Grant $328,459; Logan $483,839; Sheridan $339,169; Sherman $526,964; Thomas $335,365.

Enormous Expenditures.

It thus appears that the Hancock, Logan and Sherman cost over one million dollars each, and the other three named a slightly less amount. The purchase price of the transport Meade was $400,000 and $374,000 was expended in fitting her up. The purchase price of the Sumner was $160,594 and $250,000 additional was expended in fitting her up. The original cost of the hospital ship Relief was $450,000 and $265,591 was expended in her transformation. The hospital ship Missouri has cost the government so far $430,612, of which a little more than half was expended in adapting her to hospital purposes. Two of the large transports, Burnside and Hooker, are captured Spanish steamers. All the principal transports were acquired under the terms of their charters, and were paid for out of the appropriation for the national defence.

There were 147 vessels chartered for the transport service at a total cost of $10,631,519 for services rendered and a total cost of $1,894,342 in restoring them to their original condition on cancellation of charters. Of the chartered vessels, 79 were attached to the Atlantic fleet at a cost for service of $2,882,284 and for repairs of $175,580. The remaining 68 chartered vessels were employed on the Pacific at a cost of $7,749,235 for services and $107,608 for repairs.

A SLAP AT TRUSTS.

Senator Perry's Amendment to the Army Appropriation Bill.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—Senator Berry to-day introduced the following amendment to the Army appropriation bill:

"The Quartermaster's Department, in making contracts and purchases of articles and supplies for the military service, shall give preference, all other things including price and quality being equal, to articles of growth, production and manufacture of the United States; and as between the producers, manufacturers, merchants and dealers of the United States, preference shall be given, all other things being equal, to those producers, etc., who are not members of or in any way connected with any trust or combine formed to produce, manufacture or sell the articles which are being contracted for and purchased by the Quartermaster's Department for the military service."

DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE.

To Be Used in Trial of Alleged Conspiracy Case at Savannah.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAVANNAH, Ga., March 29.—Five boxes containing the records in the Greene-Gaynor-Carter-Connolly conspiracy case were received to-day from New York by the United States District Court officials. District Attorney Erwin went to New York several days ago and is said to have forwarded the documentary evidence to be used in the trial. Judge Speer has assigned cases for next week, making it plain that he means to continue the term longer than was expected. This is taken in court circles to indicate the early beginning of the trial of the alleged conspirators of the Atlantic Contracting Company; provided, of course, that Judge Brown, of New York, decides that the defendants Greene and Gaynor must come here to stand trial.

The steamer Claudius, of the Munson Line, from Philadelphia for Havana, with a cargo of coal, has been ashore off the Florida coast since Monday evening. Attempts to float her have been unsuccessful.

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PORTO RICO BILL AGAIN IN SENATE.

Proposition to Levy Fifteen Per Cent. Duties Upon Products Was Defeated.

FEATURES OF THE DEBATE.

Senator Beveridge's Speech in Support of His Proposition for Free Trade—Several Important Amendments Were Agreed To.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—A direct vote was taken by the Senate to-day on the proposition to strike from the Porto Rico measure the provision levying fifteen per cent. of the Dingley law duties upon Porto Rico products. The proposition was defeated by a vote of sixteen to thirty-three.

While the vote is regarded as presaging the passage of the pending measure, it is not regarded as indicating the final vote on the bill.

The feature of the debate to-day was the speech of Senator Beveridge, Indiana. While he advocated reciprocity between the United States and Porto Rico, he announced that if all efforts to secure it should fail, he would support the pending bill. The bill was under discussion throughout the session, several important amendments being agreed to.

The conference report on the Diplomatic and Consular appropriation bill was agreed to by the Senate soon after it convened.

A concurrent resolution, offered by Senator Culberson of Texas, directing the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy to keep "seasonably advised" the families of wounded soldiers and sailors of the condition of the men was agreed to.

Consideration of the Porto Rico tariff and government bill was then resumed, and Senator Beveridge addressed the Senate in support of the proposition for free trade between the United States and the island of Porto Rico.

At the conclusion of Senator Beveridge's address, Senator Foraker asked that the Senate proceed with the consideration of amendments.

The first amendment was one imposing a duty of five cents a pound upon coffee imported into Porto Rico.

Senator Pettus, Alabama, moved to strike out the amendment and demanded a vote on his amendment, which involved the question whether a tax could be imposed on products imported into Porto Rico which was not imposed on the same products imported into "other parts of the United States."

Senator Gallinger defended the amendment of the committee. During the Spanish regime, he said, a tariff had been imposed upon coffee imported into Porto Rico because the coffee raised there is regarded as the best in the world, and it was desired to prevent it from being spoiled by being blended with inferior brands.

"If you have a free hand to mutilate the constitution," said Mr. Pettus, "then you can pass this bill; but if the constitution means anything when it says that taxes and duties shall be uniform, then you have no such right."

The amendment was defeated.

Senator Bacon offered an amendment in the form of a substitute for sections two and three of the committee bill, establishing the regular Dingley tariff rates of duty on articles imported from foreign countries into Porto Rico, and providing that no duties shall be levied on articles imported into Porto Rico from the United States or into the United States from Porto Rico. Senator Bacon, of Georgia, explained that it was his idea to establish in Porto Rico the tariff system in vogue in this country. He said the amendment presented a square issue of the question now before the Senate.

Senator Gallinger said the bill as it stood was infinitely more liberal than was the amendment offered by Senator Bacon.

Senator Lindsay, Kentucky, offered an amendment to Senator Bacon's amendment providing for absolute free trade between this country and Porto Rico. He wanted to afford the Senate opportunity to vote directly for free trade. He then offered an amendment to Bacon's amendment providing for absolute free trade between this country and the Porto Rico island. Mr. Bacon accepted the amendment. Pending action upon the Bacon amendment, sections two and three of the bill were perfected by the committee.

Senator Pettus, Alabama, then moved to strike out the provision in section 3 providing for a duty of fifteen per cent. of the Dingley law rates on products of Porto Rico imported into this country.

At the request of Senator Bacon his amendment was passed over until to-morrow.

Senator Foraker, in charge of the bill, offered a substitute for section five of the House bill in relation to goods already imported, and the substitute was agreed to.

The next committee amendment was that which provided that the Spanish or native inhabitants of Porto Rico and their children should be "citizens of Porto Rico, and as such entitled to the protection of the United States."

Senator Morgan maintained that the people of Porto Rico were citizens of the United States, and as such were entitled to the rights and immunities prescribed by the constitution. The amendment, he said, was a "vain and empty declaration."

The amendment was passed over until to-morrow.

Senator Morgan offered an amendment to the section of the bill which proposes to redeem the Porto Rican silver coins in United States money, giving sixty cents of American money for the Porto Rican peso. The amendment proposed to pay one hundred cents for the peso. Senator Morgan held that in the proposed exchange of coins the United States was taking advantage of the Porto Ricans, because the peso contained the same amount of silver as the American dollar. The Porto Ricans, he said, are entitled to one hundred cents for their pesos because that amount of silver in money would be worth a hundred cents in the dollar.

Senator Jones, Arkansas, and Senator Bacon, Georgia, took the same position.

Senator Foraker maintained that the position of the Democratic Senators was not correct. There was no intention to deprive the Porto Ricans of any value, as an American dollar now was worth in debt-paying power practically two pesos in Porto Rico. He believed the proposition of the bill was entirely liberal to the Porto Ricans.

The discussion of the amendment took a wide range and had not been concluded when the Senate at 4.55 P. M. adjourned.

House of Representatives.

After four days of stormy debate the House to-day passed the Army appropriation bill. As passed the bill is only slightly modified from the form in which it came from the committee. One of the last amendments adopted opens the soldiers' homes to the officers and men of the volunteer and regular armies incapacitated by service during or since the Spanish war. The chief incident of the day was a defence of the War Department by Mr. Parker, New Jersey, against the charge of reckless extravagance in the fitting up of the transport Sumner made by Mr. Driggs, of New York, yesterday.

Mr. McRae, Democrat, of Arkansas, moved to strike from the provision for the "manufacture or purchase" of small arms ammunition the words "or purchase." He declared that the government had ample facility for the manufacture of ammunition. Mr. Hull vigorously opposed the amendment. It might be necessary to purchase ammunition and the hands of the government should not be tied. He called attention to our helpless condition for lack of ammunition at the opening of the Spanish war and said he favored the accumulation of munitions of war.

Mr. Underwood, Alabama, favored the amendment. He was opposed to placing discretionary power to purchase in the hands of the War Department. He was inclined to think it led to extravagance and jobbery, and called the attention of the House to the facts elicited yesterday regarding the transport Sumner. This reference to the Sumner aroused Mr. Parker, who detailed the history of the vessel, which, he said, had been wildly distorted. He said the Sumner was an old collier, refitted, and produced itemized figures from the War Department to prove that there was no undue extravagance. The alleged solid silver service which Mr. Driggs said yesterday cost $8,000, was plated ware and cost all told but $1,200. The amendment was lost.

This completed the bill and the committee then went back to several points temporarily passed over during the reading of the measure.

An amendment was adopted changing the eligibility for admission to soldiers' homes, so as to admit all volunteer and regular soldiers incapacitated since the outbreak of the Spanish war.

An amendment was adopted to give to officers and men of the volunteer army who did not receive extra pay when mustered out one month's pay if they served within the United States and two month's pay if they served beyond the limits of the United States.

Without further amendment the bill was passed.

The resolution unanimously reported from the committee on elections No. 2, in the contested election case of White vs. Boreing, from the Eleventh Kentucky district, confirming Boreing's title to his seat, was adopted without division. Both the contestant and the contestee are Republicans.

At 4:25 P. M. the House adjourned.

THE R., F. & P. RAILROAD.

A Project on Foot to Make the Road an Open Gateway Between the North and the South.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 29.—The *Record* to-morrow will say:

"It was practically admitted by Pennsylvania Railroad officials yesterday that a project in on foot to make an open gateway of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac railroad, between the North and South. To what extent the Pennsylvania is interested in the project or just how it is to be brought about they decline to say, stating that the matter is not ready to be talked about.

The Seaboard Air Line, which recently secured a charter from the Virginia Legislature to build a line from Richmond to Washington, there to connect with the Baltimore and Ohio to the north, it is understood is somewhat active in bringing about such a project, as in the event of its successful culmination the building of over 100 miles of railroad practically paralleling the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac could be avoided.

"Whether the plan is for all the railroads interchanging traffic between the North and the South, namely, the Pennsylvania, Atlantic Coast Line, Seaboard Air Line, Southern Railway and Baltimore and Ohio, contemplate securing a community of intereat in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac, or whether the scheme is to secure a general traffic agreement, with equal rights to all, can only as yet be conjectured.

"Whatever the project, however, it cannot be carried through successfully without reckoning with the Pennsylvania railroad. This company is in possession of an important traffic agreement with the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac, and also controls the Washington Southern, over which connection is made from the South with Washington."

LAKE CITY LYNCHING.

Case Will Not Be Called at the Approaching Term of the U. S. Court.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, Ga., March 29.—A special to the *Constitution*, from Charleston, S. C., says:

It was announced to-day that the Lake City lynching trial will not be called at the approaching term of the United States Circuit Court. Thirteen white citizens, all prominent business men of Lake City, have been tried once for the murder of the negro postmaster Baker. The result was a mistrial. Since the trial Baker's crippled wife and crippled children, who were sleeping in the post office at Lake City with him when it was fired, went to Boston on a dime museum venture. Attorney General Griggs has instructed the district attorney to ask for a continuance of the case when it is called on Tuesday next.

BREACH OF NEUTRALITY.

Maxim Guns Borrowed from the Egyptian Army by the British.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

BRUSSELS, March 29.—Dr. Leyds, the diplomatic agent of the Transvaal has drawn the attention of the Egyptian and Turkish governments to the British government, in the House of Commons, has admitted that six Maxims were borrowed from the Egyptian army for use in the Transvaal war and has demanded explanations for this breach of neutrality, declaring that unless the guns are immediately returned the Transvaal will consider the Egyptian government has abandoned neutrality and is lending openly its assistance to Great Britain. No reply has been vouchsafed to this protest which was dispatched March 13th.

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BOERS THREATEN GENERAL ROBERTS

Their Forces Concentrating Fifteen Miles North of British at Bloemfontein.

MAY BE A SERIOUS BATTLE.

General Methuen Recalled to Kimberley. Gen. Roberts' Advance on Pretoria Delayed—Aggressive Movements of the Boers.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, March 30, 4 A. M.—The Boers are concentrating in force about fifteen miles north of Bloemfontein, in the rear of Glen, and Lord Roberts is sending forward troops to engage them. The Seventh infantry division and part of General French's cavalry have been sent up to join the Fourteenth brigade and the two cavalry regiments that are holding Glen and its environs.

It does not seem probable that the Boers will give serious battle in the fairly open country north of Glen. Still, their evident strength indicates more than a corps of observation.

In small affairs the Boers are daringly aggressive in all parts of the field of war. The Johannesburg mounted police, esteemed by the Boers to be their best commando, are raiding the country near Bloemfontein and harassing the farmers who have given up their arms to the British and carrying off cattle.

There is a Boer report from Natal that a Russian soldier of fortune, Colonel Ganotzki, with a hundred horsemen, is operating close to the British outposts on the Western border.

The Boers have re-occupied Campbell and are in strength near Taungs and Barkley West. They shelled the British camp at Warrenton Wednesday, but moved out of range that night. Yesterday (Thursday) two British guns enfiladed the Boer trenches, quieting their Mausers.

Lord Methuen and the force that had been operating in the Barkley district have been recalled to Kimberley by Lord Roberts. No explanation has been given for this, but the mounted troops are dissatisfied at having been ordered back.

The Boers and disloyalists at Kenhardt have been dispersed and caused to retreat. General Parsons is about to enter the town unopposed.

Lord Roberts is making extensive arrangements to police and safeguard all the Free State towns in the territory occupied.

Dispatches from Messaru assert that the Boers who returned to Ladybrand from Clocolan have taken up strong positions and sent pickets far in every direction to watch Basutoland, in the expectation that part of General Buller's army will invade the Free State on that side.

According to Pretoria advices, Mafeking was bombarded for seven hours on Tuesday.

It is reported in London, in a well informed quarter, that Lord Kitchener will be offered the post of commander-in-chief in India, succeeding the late Sir William Lockhart, so soon as decisive successes have been obtained in the Transvaal, and that General Sir Archibald Hunter will succeed him, as Lord Roberts' chief of staff. The Indian newspapers have been urging Kitchener's appointment.

British Not Ready to Move.

LONDON, March 29.—A dispatch from Bloemfontein, published in the *Times*, dated Wednesday, March 29th, dwells upon the necessity for not making a premature advance from this capital. This correspondent who on several occasions, seemed to have been chosen as the mouth-piece of Lord Roberts, cables:

"It should be clearly understood that the present halt in the vicinity of Bloemfontein is absolutely necessary as a military precaution. It should be borne in mind that we are about to enter on a new phase of the operations with the main communications through a recently occupied hostile country, and that the recent successes necessitated a great expenditure of horse power. Here and in Natal we shall move on the commencement of the South African winter and must be prepared to face the effects of the first frost upon such animals as may be affected with horse sickness. It would be suicidal to push troops forward till they are equipped to meet the exposure of winter. Horses, clothing and food we must have."

150,000 Foreign Troops.

The correspondent adds that the Boer forces have been re-equipped, and says he is fully convinced that 150,000 foreign troops have been landed to aid the republics.

A deputation of Dutch church ministers had an audience of Premier Schreiner at Cape Town to-day. The ministers urged the separation of the sick and well Boer prisoners, and asked that the sick be not sent to St. Helena.

Mr. Schreiner replied that he had no power in such matters, but would use his friendly offices. He added that he had made strong representations to the imperial government against sending the prisoners to St. Helena, but without success.

It is reported that the prison transports will sail for St. Helena at the end of this week.

Kruger Will Re-take Bloemfontein.

LONDON, March 30.—The Bloemfontein correspondent of the *Morning Post*, telegraphing Wednesday, says:

"President Kruger boasts his intention to re take Bloemfontein within a week, and it appears probable that the Boers are advancing in force southward."

CAN HANG TAYLOR.

Another Development in the Goebel Assassination Investigation.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LEXINGTON, Ky., March 29.—The *Morning Herald*, of this city, will print to-morrow the following special from Winchester, Ky.:

"If Youtsey will tell what I think he knows, he can hang Taylor and destroy the Republican party. I feel sure that I can arrange for enough of the appropriation for Youtzey to make him and his wife comfortable for the rest of their lives. Culton is going to confess in the morning and Youtsey had better get in while he can. The money is going, and he might as well have his share."

MANCHESTER, Ky., 29.—"Tallow" Dick Combs, a negro, was arrested at Batteryville to day on a technical charge and to-morrow will be re-arrested charged with being an accessory to the Goebel murder.

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RURAL MAIL DELIVERY.

At Points in North Carolina—Senator Pritchard—Representative Kitchin.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 29.—Senator Pritchard is confined to his home with a bad case of grippe, but expects to be out in a day or so.

Charles L. Abernethy, of Beaufort, N. C. called on Representative Kitchin to-day. He is en route home from New York.

The Postoffice Department has notified Representative Kitchin that they will establish rural free delivery between Oxford and Berea at an early date.

TOO INTIMATE WITH HIS WIFE.

C. B. Wilmot Shot and Killed C. C. Braxton at Birmingham, Ala.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., March 29.—G. B. Wilmot, passenger conductor, tonight shot and killed C. C. Braxton. Braxton lived with Wilmot, doing chores about the place, and is said to have been intimate with Mrs. Wilmot. Wilmot surrendered to the sheriff. He is a prominent Mason.

WARM WIRELETS.

The President has nominated Captain Charles S. Cotton, United States Navy, to be rear admiral.

Cornell defeated the Georgias yesterday afternoon at Athens, by a score of 7 to 3. Good game. Attendance 300.

At Durham, Trinity College defeated La Fayette University in a game of base ball by a score of six to four.

A telegram from Richmond last night said that Dr. Hunter McGuire was worse and his condition alarming.

Colonel William F. Wickhan who in some way unknown shot himself several days ago, died at his home in Powhatan county, Va., last night.

The United States transport Kilpatrick, having on board four troops of the Fifth cavalry, arrived at Newport News yesterday. The troops will be moved to Jefferson barracks, Missouri.

Daniel Broughton a merchant of Lyons, Ga., is dead and John McEachern his friend is at the point of death from drinking wood alcohol by mistake. Both are prominent men in the community.

The battleship Kearsarge left Old Point, Va., yesterday morning and went to sea for a preliminary test of her superimposed turrets. Rear Admiral Sampson and some of the members of the trial board of inspection were on board.

Dispensary constables have found that illicit whiskey dealers in Charleston, S. C., have been getting whiskey, shipped through the custom house, taking it out in small packages. This makes a custom house a store room for contraband liquor.

The French steamer Georges Cruise, bound to Cuba with cattle and eighty passengers, sunk off Santo Domingo. The steamer New York rendered her assistance. Four lives were lost, the surviving passengers and crew being saved by the Clyde Line steamer.

The last span of the Richmond, Petersburg and Carolina railroad bridge across James river at Richmond, was finished yesterday. This, baring a ten mile gap under construction, gives the Seaboard system a completed line from Richmond to Tampa, Fla.

Admiral Dewey, Mrs. Dewey and Lieutenant Caldwell left St. Augustine, Fla., yesterday afternoon for Washington. During the day the party were shown the interesting features of the city by Mr. Henry M. Flagler, who afterward entertained them at his residence, Kirkwood.

A delegation representing the Antietam Battlefield Association saw the President yesterday and urged him to attend the unveiling of a monument on the battlefield on May 30th, erected to the memory of the soldiers of both armies who fell at that battle. The President assured the delegation that he would certainly attend, if possible.

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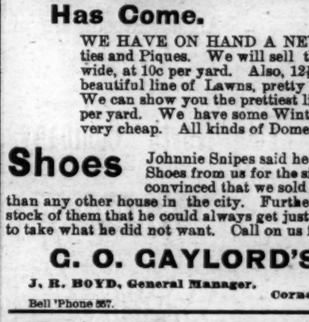

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